

him, was presented to his Daughter, who was in her twentieth Year, and the most celebrated Beauty in the County, when after some Time spent in



Courtship, the young Lady consented to give him her Hand in Marriage, and the Day being arrived which was appointed for the Wedding, they were married to the mutual Satisfaction of all Parties, and the great Joy of the Inhabitants of the Village of *Allgood*; The old Gentleman kept open House
a whole

a whole Week; during which Time there was nothing but ringing of Bells and drinking Healths to the Bride and Bridegroom.

But as human Joys seldom last long, so our young Lovers were soon deprived of their Felicity, for in a Month after the Celebration of their Nuptials, the General received an Order from Court to attend his Regiment, which was ordered to go Abroad to keep a Garrison, that was taken in the late War, by an Army of which this General had the Command, and his Prince thinking none could defend it better, conferred that Honour on him: Ordering him to make the greatest Expedition in executing his Commands: At this he was struck motionless; to hazard his Life in the Service of his Country was his greatest Ambition, but the Thoughts of leaving his Lady seemed to him more terrible than Death; in this Dilemma he knew not what to do to extricate himself out of this Trouble, a thousand Expedients offer, yet none seem practicable; but his Prince commands, and he must obey.

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